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SUBJECT: CALL OF CU/EE DIRECTOR RICHMOND UPON MFA DIRECTOR
WUJEK

1. AFTER INITIAL EXCHANGE OF PLEASANTRIES, WUJEK SAID THAT POLISH CULTURAL DELEGATION CONSISTING OF VICE DIRECTOR ALOJZY BARTOSZEK, MFA FUNCTIONARY JADWIGA PASTECKA, AND WACLAW TOMKOWSKI, MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, PLANNED TO VISIT WASHINGTON IN MID-FEBRUARY FOR DISCUSSIONS.

2. IN RESPONSE TO RICHMOND'S REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ABOUT SUBJECTS POLES WISHED TO DISCUSS, WUJEK REPLIED VAGUELY TO "SUBJECTS OF MUTUAL INTEREST" SUC HAS BEEN DISCUSSED IN PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND PROMISED TO PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH

DETAILED INFORMATION ASAP. REFERRING TO PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS WITH PAO ABOUT RFE AND THE PERLMAN NBC PROGRAM, WUJEK SAID THAT THE DELEGATION WOULD NOT WISH TO DISCUSS SUCH "DISAGREEABLE TOPICS" IN WASHINGTON. HE WENT ON, HOWEVER, TO EMPHASIZE POLISH DISPLEASURE WITH THE NBC BROADCAST AND SAID THAT GIEREK KNEW OF THE BROADCAST AND HAD SAID THAT HE COULD NOT UNDERSTAND HOW SUCH A PROGRAM COULD HAVE APPEARED ON AMERICAN TELEVISION.

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3. COMMENT: EMBASSY OFFICERS AND RICHMOND AGREE THAT THE AMERICAN SIDE HAS NOTHING TO GAIN FROM THE TALKS DESIRED BY THE POLISH SIDE. IT IS APPARENT, HOWEVER, THAT THE POLES ARE DETERMINED TO SEND THEIR DELEGATION TO THE UNITED STATES AND THAT THEY WISH TO HOLD THE TALKS BY LATE FEBRUARY AT THE LATEST. SINCE THE POLES DO NOT CHALLENGE OUR OPPOSITION TO NEGOTIATING A POLISH-AMERICAN CULTURAL AGREEMENT, WE AGREE THAT WE SHOULD SCHEDULE THE TALKS AS THEY WISH. RICHMOND CONCURS. OUR SUGGESTIONS FOR THE TALKS WILL BE TRANSMITTED AFTER WE LEARN DETAILED POLISH DESIRES.

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